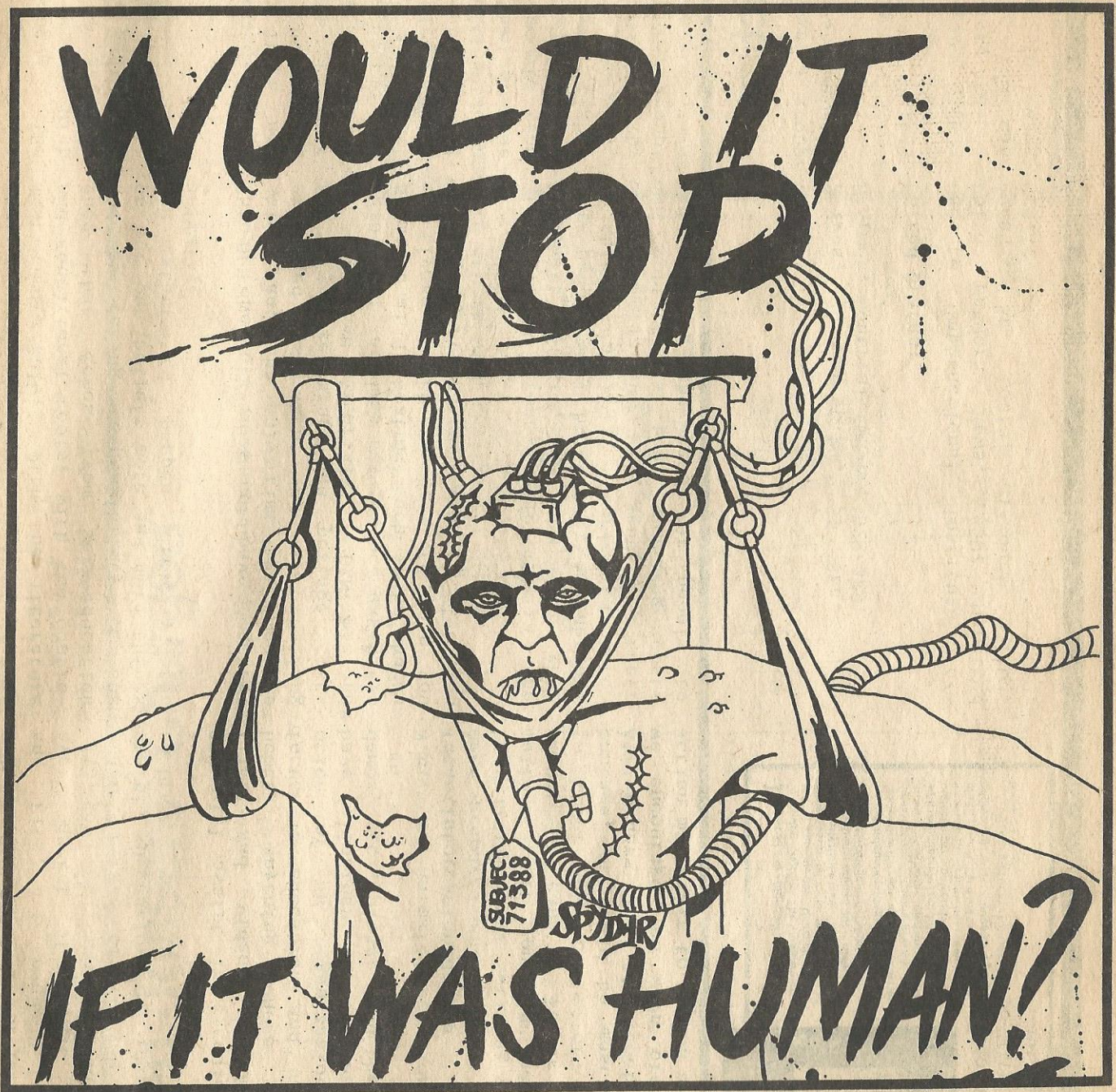


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# WORLD DAY FOR LAB ANIMALS

April 24, 1986, World Day For Laboratory Animals, was a tremendous day for Toronto! A great undertaking by the animal rights movement occurred. A great day indeed! Though the event did not go off as had been expected, this type of commitment from all who participated has never been seen here before.

More than a protest, a day when all the odd assorted bits of Freedom Fighters banded together to assault the worst of their horrors - VIVISECTION!

Connaught Laboratories under seige! The opportunity to show the world

a group of caring individuals, not just social deviants and old women in sneakers!

The members of the various animal rights groups, brought together by the cohesion of ARK II, put on a great show. A needed lesson. The labs at Connaught produce a polio vaccine from animal tissue (primates). 300 primates a year die needlessly in this process.

The demonstrators made it clear that there is an alternative to this mass slaughter - the human diploid cell. Connaught officials said that type

of vaccine production is not approved for use in Canada. Yet it has been used for many years in other countries! This is clearly a case of the usual bureaucratic inertia which enables

Connaught to avoid the changeover to a humane method of vaccine production! Typical of the animal abuse on this planet - ethics of finance and lethargy!

Attack this horror again and again! Conscience can only rest when all the creatures of the Earth are free!

Bless you all! Your great deeds shall not be forgotten!

## Attention All Armchair Activists!

The courage and strength shown by Merlin Andrews at the assault on Connaught Laboratories shows that age is not a factor in the fight for animal liberation.

It takes a lot more than a bunch of Connaught Goons to frighten a person like Merlin, who has devoted her life to the struggle for human and animal rights.

On August 25, 1984, Merlin made a speech at the Festival For Animals in Nathan Phillips Square - a speech which moved everyone who heard it.

The following is a small excerpt:

"..These pseudo-scientists who live off public money. These men and women who so cheerfully sacrifice what they term the 'lesser creatures' are MORAL TROGLODYTES. They suffer from amnesia of the conscience, from a massive and terminal deterioration of personal and collective integrity. The show these inept and callous clowns put on for the benefit of the public would be hilarious if it were not so sad.

When the last animal is clubbed, skinned, dissected or driven mad; when the

last blade of green grass is burned and poisoned by the scientific maniacs; when nothing stands between Man and eternity but a barren, sterile, radioactive wasteland in which nothing but greed and cruelty can prosper - what then? Do we stand back and slavishly applaud the lunatic architects of our own and our planet's destruction?"

(N.B. Despite being knocked to the ground during the Connaught demonstration and suffering a concussion, 72 year old Merlin is once more 'fighting fit'!)

Nighthawk



## ALF-SG Bazaar Report

Following a very successful benefit concert in January at the Starwood Club, there came another rousing success; a fund-raising bazaar held at Trinity/St. Paul's United Church on Bloor Street.

In the last issue of the Front Line News we reported that only four people had donated saleable merchandise. Only a miracle can explain the fantastic response that resulted in the Gymnasium at St. Paul's being absolutely packed with goods for sale.

Vegetarian food was available - and it was damn good! Information tables were also set up by several organizations which provided educational materials for the shoppers. Judging from the response, it was, for many, a terrible shock to learn the truth about what is happening to the animals. Little by little, day by day, one by one, support grows for the animals.

To top off a wonderful day, there was coverage by City TV. (It is unknown as to whether or not they purchased anything!)

Thanks to all those organizations who accepted our invitation to distribute literature or sell cruelty-free cosmetics, and, of course, special thanks to all those who donated merchandise, mileage, baking and time. Without your help (and our customers) this event could not have been the success it was.

David J.

A special 'Thank You' to the members of Action Volunteers for Animals who volunteered their time and efforts to assist at the Bazaar - this despite several members of the AVA Executive Committee who voted not to have a table at the ALF-SG Bazaar because they felt it placed them at some kind of 'legal risk'.

## ALF-SG Benefit Report

The ALF Support Group here in Toronto held its second fundraising benefit show on the 28th of June. It was held once again at The Bridge on Bloor St. and this time five bands donated their time and energy! Many thanks go out to Puppet Show (from London, Ont.), Stig Mata Martyr, Death of God, Was Ist Lost, and Social Suicide. It was the second time for the latter two bands as well! The SG decided not to show any films this time, instead deciding to hold an educational evening some time in the near future where the content of films and videos could be better absorbed. We did have literature tables set up as usual, and thanks to ARK II for coming out with their literature. The show went off without any problems thanks to the work of the organizers! It seems the only unfortunate note of the whole evening was the

club's decision to put a person at the front door to check people's i.d.s (you have to be at least 19 years old to get into a Toronto bar). Many people were turned away because they weren't the right age or simply didn't bring i.d. with them. Due to this, we didn't make nearly as much money as the first time, but we did make enough to get this publication out, and increase the numbers printed! Perhaps next time we'll rent a hall ourselves and take care of everything ourselves.

The next project the Support Group is working on is a picnic in mid-August here in Toronto. It will be an educational event with workshops and discussions, and it will also be a chance to share thoughts and ideas. If you're interested in coming out to it, drop us a note for more info.

## 'Chicken-Tossers' Charged

Two University of Alberta students face criminal charges in connection with tossing chickens from a second-level balcony at the University, after first painting the birds red and black.

The local SPCA Shelter Manager, Kathy Wakeford, said she is discouraged by a lack of co-operation from University officials during the investigation, which includes trying to find out who the three other students were who took part. Officials, meanwhile, have made it clear that they do not believe the 'prank', as they call it, to be a very big deal. 'After all, they are only chickens!'

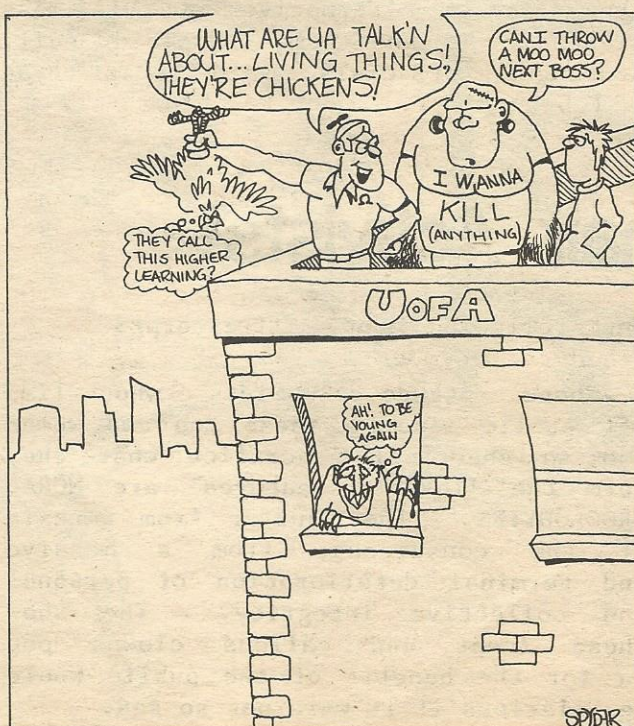
The five chickens survived the fall but were very seriously injured and were killed by other students at the scene. The bodies of the birds have not been found.

Reginald Shandro (22) and Earl Greenhough (21), both agricultural students, could face a maximum of \$500 fine and six months in jail if convicted.

(Think they'll get what they deserve? No way! It's MUCH MORE SENSIBLE to

throw people who are trying to stop cruelty to other species in jail for years!

Let's hear it for the big, brave, brain-damaged neanderthals - Yeah for Reggie and Earl!#%&?!\*#!



## Stampede meet SPCA

CALGARY (CP) — Officials of the Calgary Stampede said yesterday they plan to meet soon with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to discuss the rash of accidents that occurred during the chuckwagon races this year.

A total of eight horses had to be destroyed following two separate spectacular crashes that occurred during the 10-day annual event. The Stampede ended Sunday.

Five horses were put down and two outriders were taken to hospital last Thursday after a pile-up involving several rigs. Another three horses were destroyed after the final race Sunday when a chuckwagon rolled. The driver of the rig was not injured.

The spate of accidents is the worst in 10 years, if not in the entire history of the chuckwagon races at the Calgary show, said Stampede spokesman Dan Sullivan.

"We'll be sitting down with the Humane Society ... anybody who has got a good idea on how we can learn from what's happened this year. And as is the case with a lot of accidents ... you learn to make improvements from mistakes that happened."

## Mississauga man, 21, shot and killed while hunting groundhogs

A young Mississauga man was accidentally shot and killed Saturday when he was hunting groundhogs with his sister and his friend near Meaford.

Provincial police said Robert Sean Hewson, 21, of Ashrow Crescent, died instantly in the mishap in a field in Euphrasia Township.

Hewson's 18-year-old friend tried to shoot a groundhog with his .22-calibre rifle, but the weapon wouldn't fire, police said. The friend was trying to find the problem when the rifle went off, hitting Hewson below the right eye.

Police have seized the rifle which they said may have malfunctioned. It will be examined at the Centre of Forensic Sciences. They also seized another rifle the three young people were carrying.

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# Support Animal Rights Prisoners



The following letter and information was sent from S.A.R.P. in the U.K.:

Dear ALF-SG:

Thanks for sending us the S.G. Magazines and for printing information about the prisoners in them. As you can see from the list enclosed, there are 26 people in prison in Britain now for animal liberation activities. It seems like the authorities are having a big clampdown and trying to stamp out the Direct Action side of the movement. **SOME CHANCE!!**

Well, thanks again. I hope you can send them letters of support as it makes quite a difference to a prison day to get such a letter, especially from abroad.

If there are any animal rights prisoners

in Canada let us have the details and we'll get people to write.

Love and anger,

'Helen'

(N.B. The following list of prisoners and information is the one to which 'Helen' referred. Thank God, as yet, we do not have any activists in jail but inevitably that day will come! We urge you to write to any one or all of those prisoners listed. There can only be one thing worse than being an animal rights activist in prison, and that is to be a forgotten animal rights activist in prison.)

S.A.R.P.'s aims are:

Distribution of up-to-date information on prisoners to enable those outside to write to the prisoners, and also to the governors of the prisons demanding that the prisoners are given vegan food, toiletries and clothing without having to be members of the Vegan Society.

To provide funds for magazines, newspapers, books and radios for prisoners and for travel costs of visitors on a low income.

Please send any donations you can afford to provide funds for the above, to: S.A.R.P., BCM Box 5911, London WC1N 3XX.

**Note:** ALL LETTERS TO PRISONERS ARE OPENED AND CENSORED. DO NOT DISCUSS ANYTHING THAT COULD JEOPARDISE FUTURE ACTIONS OR SOMEONE'S FREEDOM.

Note also that prisoners are very restricted in the number of letters they are allowed to write. Therefore, they will want to write to friends and family, so do not be disappointed if you do not receive a reply - remember, the idea is to let them know that they have our support and solidarity.

## PRISONERS:

Sally Levitt (D27314), Lesley Phipps (D27315), Beverley Cowley (D27316), Virginia Scholey (D27317) - letters (individual ones please) can be sent to them at: H.M. Prison, Parkhurst Road, Holloway, London N7 ONU.

Duncan Thorpe (N41997), Jim Snook (N41998), Nick Sweet (N42186), Alistair Fairweather (L64804) can all be contacted at: H.M. Prison, St. Loyes Street, Bedford MK40 1HG, England.

Peter Anderson (L64805), Eric Marshall (L64806), David Carre (Duggs) (L64807), Paul Watkins (Mol) (L64779), Nigel Crouch (N42186) can be reached at: H.M.Y.C.C., Glen Parva, Saffron Road, Wigston, Leicestershire LE8 2TN, England.

The preceding thirteen prisoners, plus Sally Miller who is already serving a sentence for the action against Wickham Labs, etc., are in prison awaiting sentence, after being convicted

of conspiring to burgle Unilever Laboratories on 19/08/84. They are due to be sentenced some time in May or June.

Roger Yates (V02605), Ronnie Lee (V02682), Kevin Baldwin (T02959), Gary Cartwright (T02960), Ian Oxley (T02961) are all being held at: H.M. Prison, Hedon Road, Hull, North Humber-side HU9 5LS, England.

Julie Rodgers (P34407) is in: H.M. Remand Centre, Warrington Road, Risley, Warrington, Cheshire, England.

The six activists mentioned above are on remand charged with conspiring to cause damage in Sheffield (Yorkshire) and London, in relation to incendiary devices planted in department stores which ignited at midnight and resulted in sprinklers being activated, causing smoke and water damage to the fur departments.

Brendan McNally and Vivien Smith have been released on bail.

Iain McCann (J92353) is serving a four-year sentence for an arson attack on vehicles at Cottage Patch Kennels, Fareham, Hants. The kennels supply dogs for vivisection. Iain can be written to at: H.M. Prison, Cornhill, Shepton Mallett, Somerset BA4 5LU, England.

Shaun Ellis (H25078) was sentenced on February 27, 1986 to nine months for causing damage worth \$17,000. to a Lancashire meat firm. Write to Shaun at: H.M. Prison, 69 Hornby Road, Liverpool L9 3DF, England.

Sally Miller (D22865) received 18 months (6 suspended) after being convicted on December 4, 1985 of conspiring to burgle Wickham Research Laboratories and associated premises. Sally is being held at: H.M.Y.C.C. and Prison, East Sutton Park, Maidstone, Kent ME17 3DF, England.

Also sentenced for the same action were: Gordon Bryan (J92309) - 21 months, 9 suspended; Mike Nunn (J92297) - 3 years; John Quirke (J92284) - 18 months, 3 suspended. All can be reached at: H.M. Prison, Romsey Road, Winchester, Hants. SO22 5DF, England.

Terry Helsby (P85326) is also at the above-mentioned Winchester Prison on remand for alleged damage to butcher shop windows and alleged involvement in digging up the grave of notorious huntsman, the Duke of Beaufort.

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL THESE ACTIVISTS WHO HAVE GIVEN UP THE MOST VALUABLE THING THEY POSSESS FOR THE ANIMALS - THEIR FREEDOM.

Perhaps we can't all scale walls, climb fences, lie in ditches or break and enter to liberate animals, but **WE CAN ALL PICK UP A PEN AND WRITE. LET'S DO IT!**

Phoenix

## STOP PRESS - LATEST ON ANIMAL RIGHTS PRISONERS (ENGLAND)

Ronnie Lee is now being held without bail.

Gordon Bryant has been released.

Roger Yates is awaiting trial - his bail was set at \$25,000!

Nancy Phipps - D28005, Debbie Smith - D28007, Delia Lowick - D28008 are all in Holloway Prison, London, England.

H.M. Prison  
Parkhurst Road  
Holloway, London  
N7 ONU

Karl Garside - L65137  
H.M.Y.C.C.  
Glen Parva  
Saffron Road  
Wigston, Leicestershire  
LE8 2TN

Giles Eldridge - E74944, Carl Egan - E74945, Boris Barker - E74946, Gary Allen - E74947, Keith Griffin - E74948, Mike McKrell - E74949, Julian Webster - E74950 and Alan Cooper, E24960 are all at H.M. Prison, Welford Road, Leicester, LE2 7AJ, England.

The activists accused of digging up the Duke of Beaufort were sentenced to 2 years each.

(Thanks to S.A.R.P. for this update!)



# Letters

We received a terrific letter in our mail from Ursula Crabtree, Ph.D. in California. Ursula sent copies of this letter to ARK II, U of T Campus Newspaper, U of T School of Dentistry, major Toronto newspapers and Prime-minister Mulroney, as well as to at least nine groups in the States. We thank Ursula for her letter and reprint it here in its entirety:

To: The Office of the President,  
University of Toronto

Re: Animal Experiments/February ALF  
Raid, School of Dentistry

I have been associated with the American Animal Rights Movement for a number of years, and I have read a lot of ghastly stories regarding the use and abuse of animals in research throughout the world. However, I must say that nothing has ever jolted me as deeply as the news item I read in the May 1986 issue of The Animals' Agenda.

According to this news item, the Canadian Animal Liberation Front (ALF) tried to break into the tightly secured University of Toronto's School of Dentistry to rescue some experimental animals from pain studies conducted there. The news item mentions that the activists' only knowledge of what is going on behind locked doors stems from studies published by researchers, as 'the peer review system for monitoring the welfare of lab animals in Canada is closed to public scrutiny although it is taxpayer-funded.'

According to these research publications, this is apparently what is going on behind those doors:

The animals, mostly monkeys and cats, are used in taxpayer-funded pain studies in which paralytic drugs and stereotaxic devices (mechanical restraining devices used in precision experiments) are used to keep the animals still. Anesthetics are used only during preparation for experiments, such as the implantation of electrodes into the animals' brains, according to Vicki Miller of ARK II, the Canadian Animal Rights Network.

In addition to experiments in which facial pain and paw skin pain are induced, Miller described a typical dental pain experiment in which wires are implanted into animals' tooth pulp through which experimenters send electrical impulses and measure the speed with which pain impulses reach the brain. Monkeys are used in chronic pain experiments and are probably kept in restraining chairs, she said. (The Animals' Agenda)

Let me put it this way. Since these occurrences happen behind tightly guarded doors, it will be easy for the School of Dentistry researchers to disclaim any allegations of cruelty. If the researchers admit to any pain thresholds at all, they will no doubt defend their work in the name of science, for the good of mankind. That is exactly what the researchers at the

University of Pennsylvania Head Injury Lab said before some illegally obtained videos showed the enormity of the sadism and brutality that was going on in this bastion of science (as praised by the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) in an earlier report on excellence in research).

So let me put it another way. I AM SICK TO DEATH OF RESEARCH FREAKS WORKING OUT THEIR PENCHANT FOR SADISM ON ANIMALS UNDER THE GUISE OF DOING SOMETHING WORTHWHILE FOR THE HUMAN RACE. I have a Ph.D. myself, and I know the power struggle to get grants and excel. I am at the point where I feel that the goddamned human race does not deserve any anemity that comes from the brutal suffering of defenseless animals - AND THAT INCLUDES ME! I applaud the work of the ALF and will send them as large a cheque as I can afford to help them further their activity: they didn't succeed in the last raid on the dentistry lab, but there is always hope for the next time.

Don't I know that demolishing university property is against the law? Haven't I heard that breaking into restricted areas of a building is against the law? Don't I know that trying to rescue those animals is really a form of theft, since they are the rightful property of the university? And haven't I ever heard that violence begets violence, and that mankind will only survive if we, as individuals, learn to live with each other in harmony, allowing for our inalienable right to be different?

Of course I have heard the above arguments, and, in some cases, they may even be true. However, my world view has progressed to a point where I no longer feel the need to excuse the inexcusable just because a human being happened to be involved in it somehow. I feel no compunction whatsoever to say that anyone making a living off the torture of other living things - be they animals or people - deserves AT LEAST a dose of the same medicine. This goes for anyone extracting information from prisoners in military dictatorships to fledgling scientists in research labs playing around with totally defenseless creatures to test such exotic news items as whether it does hurt to hit raw nerves in any part of the face, be it for 'tooth pain' or tic douloureux. There ARE a few respectable scientists, and those among them are slowly acknowledging the existence of alternative methods of testing pain or any other commodity in the field of medical science. There are computer models, and there are math models. And, above all, some of the findings have already been known since the dawn of mankind: they are merely being repeated to reach 'degrees of sophistication' in a given study area and/or ensure the 'redundancy' so important to the hearts of scientists.

Many of these tests and studies continue to be done for only one reason: to bring individual academic or other success/glory to the person doing the research while amassing as much funding to carry out the research

as possible. This approach is at the heart of the academic research system, no matter in which country, and that is the greatest evil. IT LEADS TO THE PHILOSOPHY THAT THE END JUSTIFIES THE MEANS!

As for the researchers themselves: all I can really say is that I regret that I do not have the power to evoke a higher power to step in and give them their just due. It should be an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth - apparently benighted mankind, despite its bragging that it is the superior species, understands little except the most primitive laws of the universe. I do wish that someone would get hold of them, put them into one of their own stereotaxic devices, preferably clamped to a couple of the most sensitive areas of the body, and then, in the style of Sir Lawrence Olivier playing a mad scientist/Nazi doctor gone berserk in the movie, Marathon Man, drill through every one of their own teeth till they croaked from the combination of shock and pain.

Such a fate, to me, is regrettable, but well-deserved. Break-ins in the style of the ALF are also regrettable, but equally well-deserved - in fact, I would call them acts of civil disobedience that even Thoreau would have been proud of. Until the universities learn to open their doors for public scrutiny of the research that is going on, and especially when taxpayers' money is involved, they are asking for groups such as the ALF taking matters of justice into their own hands.

I often despair over the slow progress that the animal rights movement is making, but as long as I still have a voice to speak - unlike most of those animals whose vocal chords have been conveniently cut out so they cannot protest on their own - I shall speak out. This is a message, if you wish, from one animal rights activist for the cause of better treatment of animals in America. I am not merely singling out Canada - I am sure that the same stuff is going on in innumerable dental and other research labs the world over. In the U.S. it has been perfected into a fine art. The point is that the evil of using animals for the sake of science without even acknowledging that they might have rights of their own as living things is THE cancer - all-pervasive - in research communities, be they academic or private. However, to me, as an academic myself, the fact that universities continue to be some of the worst offenders in this area is THE most shameful aspect of all.

Ursula Crabtree, Ph.D.

P.S. Incidentally, since I am sending your government a copy of this letter, for whatever it is worth, I should not forget what a refreshing sign it has been to some of us not only interested in the welfare of animals but cultural differences as well, that Canada has managed to outdo its more barbarian neighbour, the good ole U.S., in terms of poor taste.

I am referring to the glossy ad for Grizzly Beer (Canadian Lager, brewed by Hamilton Breweries in Ontario,



imported by Van Munching in New York) that has been appearing in U.S. magazines. The sparkingly clean and fresh bottle of frothy beer is tightly hugged (encircled) by an old-fashioned leg-hold trap, with the slogan, 'Capture Canada's Bear of Beers'. I have already personally complimented the brewery for their 'good taste' in advertising, but let it be further said that it strikes me as highly ironic to see Canadians capable of the same sin that they are so fond of levelling against the U.S. - vulgarity. The theory of rugged individualism and brute strength gone haywire, crass commercialism, ABCMINABLE taste.

(Ursula went on to say she was not anti-Canadian, just anti-cruelty.

We thank her for her great letter and generous donation!)

Dear ALF-SG:

I have a protest! Being a vegetarian and getting repulsed by the sight of fur, I'm all for you, upfront. But I think that you're going about it the wrong way.

There was an anonymous letter in your last issue, where someone finally voiced their concern on your violent approach. You came back at them with saying that violence is the only way to turn peoples' heads. You're wrong! Instead of destroying things that you are only going to have to pay for in your taxes, why don't you make yourself known!? The more people that know about you, the more support

you'll get. So! Get some smarts dudes! Start telling people to tell other people - friends, family, acquaintances. Put out leaflets and flyers, get out on those streets and let people know that you exist!

JUST DON'T ENCOURAGE VIOLENCE! And, remember, folks, that you can't destroy violence with violence. Only with peace and patience!

Anonymous in T.O.

Dear Anonymous in T.O.:

I'm mystified by the views expressed in your letter to the Support Group condemning the so-called 'violent' approach by the ALF.

What violent approach are you talking about? As far as I am aware, no-one has ever been injured by the ALF in Canada. If you are referring to the damage of instruments and property within the torture chambers of research facilities, then let me make it clear that neither the ALF nor the ALF-SG regard such destruction as 'violence'.

If someone had plotted to destroy the chambers of death at Dachau or Belsen Concentration Camps during WWII, would you have vetoed the plan as being too violent? Believe me, there is no difference!! And, as for my taxes paying for the damage done to laboratories, they are already being used to torture animals - what could horrify me more than that?

There are many activists 'spreading the word' throughout Canada, the United States, Great Britain and many other

overseas countries. What are you doing? I did not notice a request in your letter for flyers to be sent to you so that you could distribute them, or an offer from you to go onto the street and spread the word yourself. What I saw reflected in your letter was the kind of negativity activists don't need to hear - namely, that those out putting their backsides on the front lines for the animals are doing it all wrong!!

IF YOU WANT TO AFFECT CHANGE FOR THE ANIMALS, JOIN US AND DO SOMETHING!!

We have tried peace and patience for hundreds of years and where has it got the animals? Millions upon millions upon millions of them tortured, living in agony for weeks, months and even years until they are finally murdered and death brings a release from their torment!

Vivisectors are scum!! To hell with patience. THE TIME FOR ANIMAL LIBERATION IS YESTERDAY - NOT TOMORROW!!!

Phoenix

#### RE: LETTERS RECEIVED BY THE ALF-SG

Please be patient - it may take a little time, but all letters will be answered. If not in person, then via this section of the FLN. Thank you!

## 'A Scenic Harvest From The Kingdom of Pain'

JUST WHEN YOU THINK YOU'VE HEARD IT ALL! - Welcome to the insanity, horror and lunacy of SCIENCE RESEARCH LABORATORIES.

Science Research Laboratories is based in a dingy foundry on the outskirts of San Francisco. There, Mark Pauline, Mattie Heckert and Eric Werner create 'art'. Art, which incidentally has now something of a following. The locations of the 'art shows' are always secret and when you read on, you will understand why.

Among their 'exhibits' are the following:

- a device which looks like a stainless steel spider. It jumps around when it is turned on. It will be modified so its movements will correspond to the movements of a guinea pig named Stu. (Short for 'stupid') who is slipped into a jacket that holds him in place inside the device. Stu is then wired so that the spider machine will mimic his effort to get free.

- a box (still in the planning stage) that will house 3 chickens with their heads coming through holes in the top. the box will first decapitate them and then the front will open so that their headless bodies will come running out.

- a laser-activated merry-go-round with rabbit and cat carcasses instead of bobbing wooden horses.

• a dead rabbit (the 'rabot') manipulated to walk in place while a female assistant lobs oversized darts at it from a pneumatic catapult.

The list of 'artworks' by these three sickos is endless. The trio has been accepted by the San Francisco art scene and in 1985 they held shows in Los Angeles and New York - to much critical acclaim!!!

They've even appeared on national television during a segment of 'Believe It Or Not' about strange artistic pursuits and Target Video sells a video of their show called 'A Scenic Harvest From The Kingdom of Pain'.

SO WHAT CAN BE DONE TO STOP THESE SCUMBAGS?

Start sending letters to the following:

The Northwest Association of Animal Protective Agencies  
2608 Centre Street  
Tacoma, Washington 98409  
U.S.A.

(It is located near Seattle)

The Humane Society of the United States  
2100 L Street N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20037  
U.S.A.

Buddhists Concerned For Animals  
300 Page Street  
San Francisco, California 94102

Write to Target Video telling them you will boycott their videos.

To all of you near the location, you might try to get to one of their 'Art Horror Shows'. The last listing we could find was the Center on Contemporary Art (COCA) presents Survival Research Laboratories in Seattle. The show was dated for last May 24th at a 'top secret location.' For more information they requested you call 624-6394 (Seattle number.)

FOR ANY AND ALL ALF MEMBERS NEAR SEATTLE WHO MAY HAVE BEEN UNAWARE OF THIS GROVE OF SCUMBAGS -- Well, no more need be said.

Thanks to D.B. in Vancouver for sending us this information and an accompanying article.

Phoenix

#### Animal Emotions

**A**BOUT THE ARTICLE ON Survival Research Laboratories. This group of sickos call the incredible cruelty and torture of animals *art*? I can't describe the anger and disgust I feel from reading that article. I can tell you that this letter is not the last word I'll say about this - this "event" must be stopped. Mark Pauline, Mattie Heckert and Eric Werner have to be the most revolting human beings on this planet. I thought the idea of art was to create!  
**Diane Barbarash**  
Vancouver, B.C.

THE ROCKET June 1986



# U of T Dentistry Raid

In the early morning hours of Sunday, February 16, 1986, a group of ALF activists entered the University of Toronto's Faculty of Dentistry Building in an attempt to liberate some of the imprisoned animals who were being tortured in pain experiments.

Surveillance of the building had taken many months, and all of us had been inside at night on at least two or three occasions, so we had put together extremely detailed maps of the upper floors.

The target research laboratory was a major problem! First, we knew that the time between guard rounds was very short, secondly the response time by police had been estimated at approximately two minutes, which meant we'd be trapped in the building if we accidentally triggered an alarm and thirdly, the doors and the inside of the lab were under 24-hour video coverage. Despite all these obstacles the lab was felt to be such a hell-hole, that those involved in the planning voted unanimously to go ahead with the raid!

So, that Sunday morning, as soon as it was felt to be safe, we made our way, in one's and two's to the point of entry. Those who were on watch outside would remain in close contact via the C.B. Radio.

Once inside, we made our way to Sessle's office, (the bastard in charge of the pain studies) intending to get documentation on the research. Unfortunately, our tools were not strong enough to break the lock and so, as time was running short, we decided to go to the fifth floor where an attempt would be made to enter the lab via the window of an adjacent

meeting room and then from there, across the roof.

We discovered very quickly that the window glass was shatterproof, which, naturally increased our determination to smash through it! Once that was done, we discovered a second shatterproof pane behind the first one!

Again, determination enabled us to break the window - but it cost us an enormous amount of time (again lack of proper tools - damn!) and the noise was incredible! We were so concerned we chanced breaking radio silence to check with the activists outside to see if the sounds of crashing glass could be heard from the street!

Once through the window there was an 8-foot drop to the roof and a 10 yard sprint across to the lab wall. Two of us stayed in the main building, manning the radio, handing out tools to those on the roof and watching and listening for both guards or movement from the three main elevators. The rest of the group made their way across to the laboratory.

A quick examination of the laboratory roof and walls made us realise that we would have to try going in through the wall. Several layers of material were ripped away with more brute force than finesse, but when our time-keeper noted that we had been inside the building for more than three hours, it became apparent that we were not equipped to complete the break-in to the lab in the time we had left.

THE FRUSTRATION AND RAGE ONE FELT AT BEING SO CLOSE TO THE ANIMALS AND UNABLE TO GET TO THEM WAS INDESCRIBABLE! THE THOUGHT OF GOING OUT WITHOUT THEM TORE US ALL APART!

With some difficulty, and by lowering chairs onto the roof, we managed to get the group back through the jagged hole in the window without injury. Then, we all decided to return to Sessle's office where we daubed the area with ALF slogans.

After this we wandered into some adjacent areas and smashed some equipment and defaced the walls with slogans. Economic sabotage is hardly as satisfying as liberating animals, but we were to feel much more satisfied several days later when we learned the damage amounted to at least \$10,000.00!!

By now we had been inside the Dentistry building for over four hours and our time-keeper was getting really edgy, to say the least, and so we decided to get out while we could.

We made our way to the exit point where we left, again in two's and three's. after checking with our outside contacts that all was clear.

It may have been four months since this action, but all the activists involved are spiritually still inside that building. How can we find peace when we still think of those we left behind!

ALF Canada

(N.B. Perhaps those who wonder why the Support Group solicits donations will understand more clearly after reading the above account of the raid! Without the proper equipment, the ALF can do nothing. And, without homes for liberated animals, they can do even less!)

## ANNOUNCING .....

### SCUM OF THE MONTH AWARD !#\$%?!&\*

Congratulations to Dr. Barry Sessle, Assistant Dean of Research at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Dentistry and recipient of our 'SCUM OF THE MONTH AWARD'!

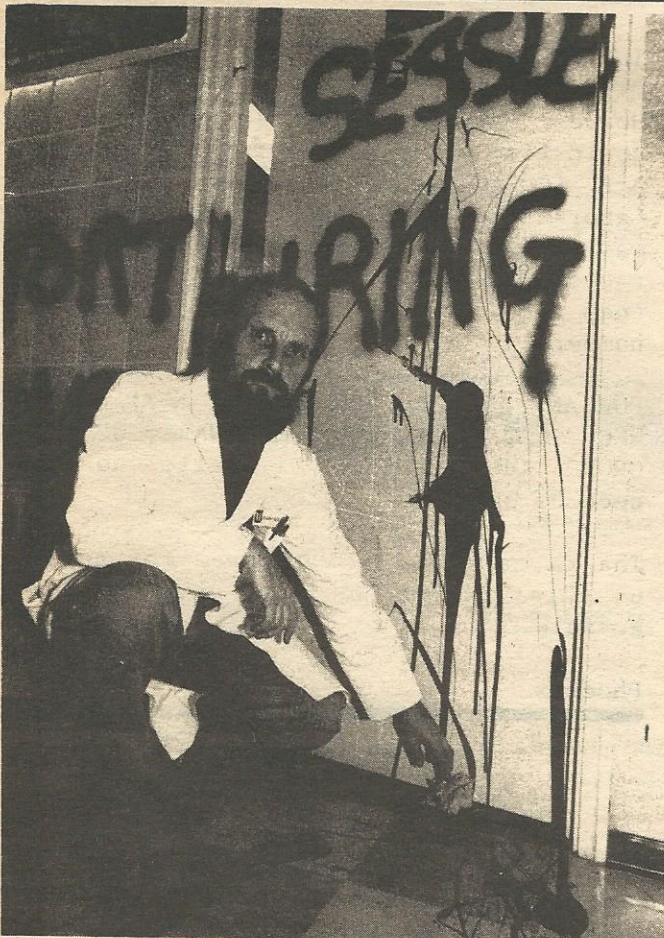
Sadist Sessle is using primates in research on facial pain and jaw movements after first using a paralytic drug on the animals.

Both Sessle and that other scumbag, Faculty Dean Richard Tencate, should be bloody well appearing in Ripley's 'Believe It Or Not' fairly soon because, according to them, they are measuring the levels of pain experienced (as the result of torture inflicted!) by primates who (and I quote Tencate) are under anesthetic and feel no pain!

Measuring pain where no pain exists! See what a good education and a degree gets you? Everything but intelligence!

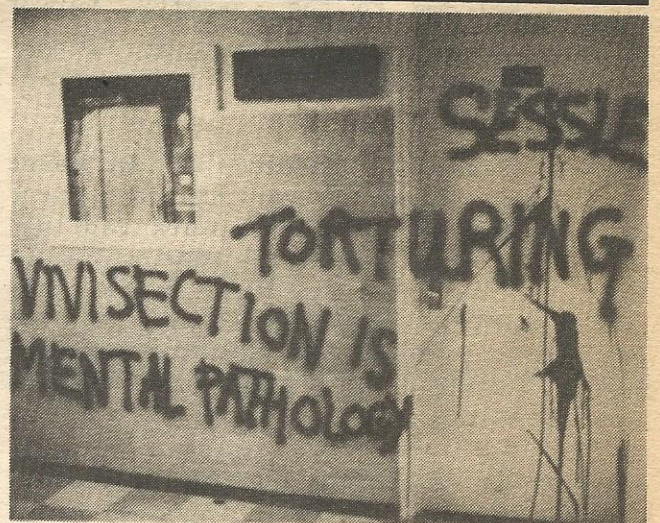
On second thought - I think as well as 'Scum of the Month' award, both Sessle AND Tencate should also be awarded 'LUNATICS OF THE MONTH AWARD'!

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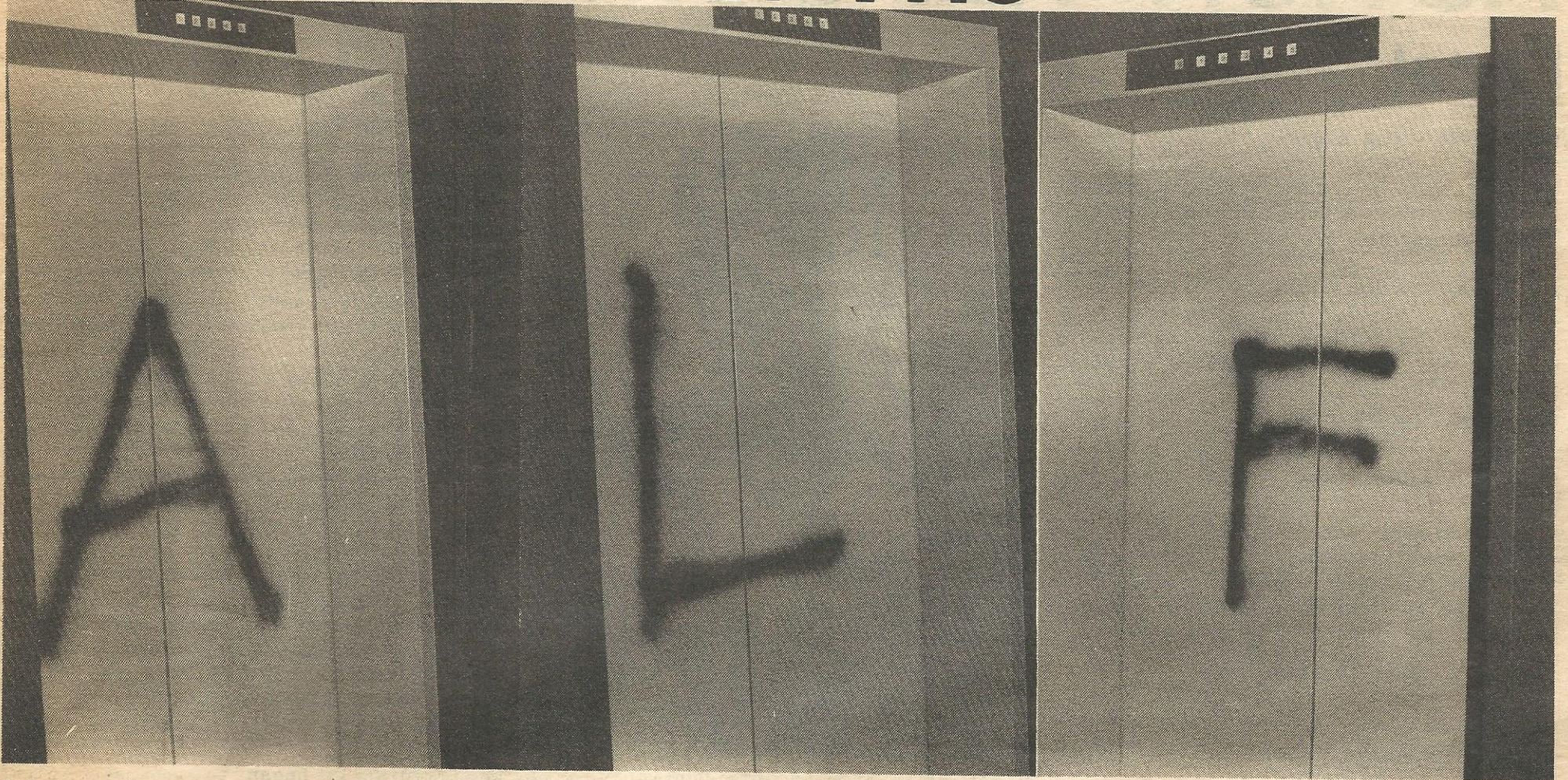
Dentistry break-in

Vandals who broke into the Faculty of Dentistry sometime during the weekend of Feb. 15 and 16 broke equipment, sprayed graffiti and smeared paint on floors, walls and elevator doors on the fourth and fifth floors of the faculty's old and new wings. Damage is estimated at \$10,000. The office of Dr. Barry Sessle (above), associate dean of research, was a particular target of the vandals, who identified themselves in the graffiti as the ALF (Animal Liberation Front). They also sprayed graffiti around the entrance way to the animal facilities James Kenyon, director of the Division of Laboratory Animal Science, says dentistry has at most 50 animals for research. Because of incidents such as that at dentistry, Kenyon says security costs have escalated to \$100,000 and it has become more difficult to get some animals.





# Interview With The



Under tight security, a member of one cell of the ALF Canada agreed to be interviewed for the Front Line News.

For purposes of the interview this person shall be identified only as Robin.

How did you come to join an ALF cell and why?

'Getting involved was inevitable after doing a lot of investigating and finding the system allows and even encourages goons, crazies and Frankensteinian creeps to gain and profit from the torture and humiliation of helpless animals. I CAN'T JUST STAND BY AND NOT DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT and happily neither can a lot more of us who want to put an end to animal abuse.'

How do you find laboratories to target?

'There are MANY animal concentration camps of one sort or another with willing employees who don't like what they see, and so come forward anonymously with information. That, combined with our own methods of investigation, gives us a good idea of what's going on where.'

Do you draw the line at physical violence? What is your recation to the Animal Rights Militia's tactics, e.g., letter-bombs?

'After witnessing the worst kind of violence I have ever seen in laboratories, slaughter-houses and traplines,

I understand and experience the passionate rage the Animal Rights Militia feels. However, for the time being my personal anger manifests itself in taking part in raids. It is obvious that support for the ALF is here in Canada and growing rapidly. Violence may set us back - it's a big risk.'

Suppose you remove a laboratory animal; won't it be replaced by a new one who will have to suffer the ordeal of the experiment as it is repeated from the beginning?

'They will repeat the experiments anyway, and keep repeating them ad infinitum. The only way any animal gets out of a lab under normal conditions is when it is dead. At least this way, the ALF gives some a chance to survive, and that is, after all, our main goal, as well as removing incriminating documents and evidence that will put these places out of business. I'd be amazed if anyone thought I could walk out of a lab and leave all those animals behind!'

How do you carry out surveillance? \*

'With a warm coat and a hot thermos!'

How do you guard against infiltrators?

'That's not easy when you live in a society that pays you to fink on your neighbours. Mostly by being as careful as we can; also the format of the ALF means that individual cells

are encouraged to develop independently. Therefore, one is not known to the other.

When did the first Canadian ALF action occur and what was it?

'The first MAJOR action carried out by the ALF in Canada was June 15, 1981 at the Hospital For Sick Children. (Sick kids sharing the same roof as the torture labs!) 21 animals were liberated, including the earless cat that got so much media coverage.'

What equipment is needed for a break-in?

'Jack-hammers, Helicopter and a Wrecking-Ball!' \*

Any other comments you'd like to make?

'Yes! Carrying an animal away from daily terror is worth the risk of possible future penalties or imprisonment. I'm not a fanatic, a terrorist or a misguided misanthrope. I'm just enraged at a society that forces people to go outside the law to defend helpless animals. With the support of other animal rights activists and groups, we will expose the horror that so few of us see.'

Finally, I urge everyone out there who has a home for a liberated animal to please let the support group know. This is our most vital need right now!'

\* For security reasons Robin preferred not to answer these questions!

## ALF Infiltrated

Eleven from Huddersfield got away with conditional discharges after pleading guilty to criminal damage to shops involved with animal abuse. But costs and damages came to \$5,000, so they're organizing benefit gigs, etc. But "the whole case was bound up with the fact that our animal rights group/hunt sabs group was infiltrated. A bastard called Robert Walker, who is in several local hunts, a butcher,

etc., managed to get involved in our group over a period of 1 1/2 years, so much so that we trusted him. He was pretty clever, never pushed himself forward, never asked questions, etc. He was accepted so much that he was involved in the action in question. He, of course, grassed us up and the police caught us.

He even contrived to come to the group

after we were all arrested (he was arrested too that night - the police wanted him to carry on infiltrating). However, we thought it was too much of a coincidence to almost all be caught, so we started 'investigating'. After a confrontation, he confessed!'

Penny Pitstop (England)

Article courtesy of The Green Anarchist.



# ACTION REPORTS

## Local

March 1986 - Oak Ridges

The ALF made a return visit to 'Farmer Brown'. They found two dogs chained up and whimpering with fear.

As Farmer Brown hadn't learned from the first visit, one liberator took the dogs to safety while the others checked the barn. The barn was empty, so it was torched.

Good day, 'Farmer Brown'.

Toronto - April, 1986

Van belonging to Victory Furs had its tyres slashed, was spraypainted with the words, 'SCUM', 'MURDERERS' and 'ALF'. Windscreen wipers were bent and the windscreen was smashed.

Toronto - April 19, 1986

Locks glued and windows defaced with glass-cutters at Weissman Furs, Frankel Furs and Furs by Finn

Toronto - April 27, 1986

Cooks Meat Market and Cowiesons Meats decorated with 'Meat is Murder' slogans and locks glued.

June 9, 1986 - Toronto

A follow-up action was taken against Dr. Tencate, head vivisector at the



U of T's Faculty of Dentistry. A visit was made to the building's underground parking lot where Tencate's car was parked. ('Dr. T' on the license plate, no less!!)

A swift daylight action took place, resulting in approximately \$1,000 worth of damage to the car. Just a small reminder to Tencate that the ALF haven't forgotten him!

June 6, 1986 - Newmarket

One cell from the Northern ALF raided the premises of Chester's Chickens in Newmarket.

In order to get into the main chicken concentration camp, we had to cross a huge field which was overlooked by the Highway. In order to escape being 'picked-up' by headlights we had to crawl on our faces for most of the way. The farm itself was well-lit by floodlights and surrounded by two fences. We quickly cut our way through these and made our way into the main building.

Inside we stopped, mesmerized by the sight of thousands of chicks - so many that they covered the entire floor of the building. It was like looking at a living yellow carpet with bright lights beating down from the ceiling!

We immediately began to liberate chicks - 106 in all, and before leaving sprayed slogans everywhere - mainly 'Chicken Lib' and 'Scum'. In two's and three's we left the building, separated, and came together later at the designated meeting place.

The chicks have all been placed in good homes where they now get to go to sleep in the dark at night!!!

## International

Australia:

July - December, 1985

Four rats, due to be gassed and used for dissection, rescued from school.

Numerous attacks on butcher shops, windows smashed, locks glued and graffiti painted.

Numerous attacks on fur shops, sheepskin shops and gunshops. Again, locks were glued and stores were covered in graffiti.

Vivisection labs covered with graffiti.

New Zealand:

October, 1985

Several thousands of dollars worth of damage done to the Deerstalkers Association when four molotov cocktails were hurled through the open windows of the empty building. Outer walls were covered in graffiti.

France:

1985 (No date)

Bulldozer that was used to destroy wildlife habitat was damaged.

Attack on a meat company resulted in three trucks being damaged and one being burned.

(Our thanks go to the Australian Newsletter - Direct Action For Animal Rights, - for the previous information.)

ALF Toulouse (France)

December 2 and 3, 1985: Eight meat lorries and a car damaged: 'ALF' painted on, windcreens smashed, wipers bent off, tail-lights broken, etc. Two butchers' windows broken.

## Farm Freedom Fighters

The following press release was sent to the Support Group for immediate release:

Animal Liberation at Mid-Atlantic Factory Farm!

On Wednesday, June 4, 1986, the Farm Freedom Fighters liberated 25 laying hens from a Mid-Atlantic battery egg operation. According to Farm Sanctuary, the spokesgroup for the liberators, this is the first direct farm animal liberation ever conducted in the United States.

Farm Sanctuary was alerted to the liberation when an anonymous caller contacted the group early Wednesday morning and identified himself/herself as a member of the Farm Freedom Fighters. A videotape of the actual liberation,

photographs and a detailed description of the liberation was left for Farm Sanctuary. The videotape contains footage of the liberators, the battery egg operation, and the hens. The tape also shows the liberators spray-painting slogans such as "Animal Auschwitz" and "Battery cages are torture chambers" on the walls of the hen warehouse. A note was left for the egg producers urging them to stop using battery cages. (Copies of the videotape and photographs are available upon request - contact: Farm Sanctuary, P.O. Box 37, Rockland, DE 19732, U.S.A.).

The Farm Freedom Fighters targeted the egg industry because it is one of the largest abusers of farm animals. Over 95% of the eggs sold today are produced in the battery cage system where four to five laying hens are crammed into a bare wire cage commonly

measuring 12" x 18". The extreme overcrowding results in extensive feather loss, skin damage, and feet malformations. The raising of laying hens in these stressful conditions poses serious health hazards for humans as well. The birds are fed enormous quantities of antibiotics to reduce the high disease and mortality rates resulting from intensive confinement systems. Many medical experts fear the rampant use of antibiotics is creating antibiotic-resistant bacteria in humans, a condition which renders life-saving drugs useless.

According to a statement made by the Farm Freedom Fighters, "This action is the first of many farm animal liberations. Our war against farm animal oppression will continue until all farm animals are free from the brutality of factory farms."



## ALF PRESS RELEASE

EARLY THIS MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT MADE ENTRY INTO THE ANIMAL CONCENTRATION CAMP OF THE U OF T'S DENTISTRY BUILDING.

MESSAGES WERE LEFT FOR THE CHIEF ANIMAL TORTURER, COMMANDANT SESSLE, AND HIS NAZI COHORTS.

SESSLE IS A SPECIALIST IN ADMINISTERING CHRONIC PAIN BY IMPLANTING ELECTRODES IN THE TOOTH PULP OF PRIMATES AND SUBJECTING CATS AND RODENTS TO MASSIVE FACIAL MUTILATIONS AND OTHER MINOR CRUELITIES.

LAB AREAS SUSTAINED EXTENSIVE DAMAGE AS PART OF THE ALF'S ECONOMIC SABOTAGE CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE SCUM WHO TORTURE ANIMALS.

FEBRUARY 16, 1986

ALF

### SAVED !!

The clinical silence, at last was broken  
that Sunday afternoon.  
Our cages echoed,  
The bars rattled  
As the noise ricocheted  
In the laboratory!

And then we saw them ...  
The figures  
Our saviours -  
Men and young women,  
All moving in quick, expert,  
organized action!  
All working as one -  
With the same intention  
Pliers - swiftly cutting the bars of our  
Hated prisons!  
Their concentrated toil worked wonders ...  
They risked all -  
They freed us all -

One lovely human, warm and caring,  
Cut the bars of my torture chamber -  
She pulled them aside -  
And her loving hands  
Reached into my cage,  
She picked me up and took me out.  
She freed me!!!  
She held me in safety,  
Held me against her warmth -  
And I, never having known such love -  
Felt .... Oh, so happy!  
Having known only pain and brutality  
I snuggled into her arms,  
Burrowed into her arms,  
I didn't want to lose her  
I didn't want her to lose me!  
I didn't want to lose Freedom.  
I didn't want to go back and be hurt  
EVER AGAIN!

Reprinted from 'The Isle of Wight  
Animal Preservation and Action Group'

### Group claims responsibility for damaging U of T lab

A group called the Animal Liberation Front is claiming responsibility for a weekend break-in at the University of Toronto's dentistry faculty, where medical research using animals is done.

Vandals damaged laboratory equipment and spray-painted graffiti on walls and doors on the fourth and fifth floors of the faculty's Edward St. buildings at the weekend. Metro and university police are investigating.

The vandals did not get into the laboratory where research using monkeys and other small mammals is carried out, said Dr. Richard TenCate, dean of dentistry.

TenCate estimated damage at \$10,000, including \$1,000 to \$5,000 damage to a laboratory device that measures the acidity of liquids.

### Animal rights protesters linked to U of T damage

The Globe and Mail FEB 18/86

The Animal Liberation Front has claimed responsibility for damaging areas of the dentistry building at the University of Toronto during the weekend.

The group said in a news release that the laboratories of the "animal concentration camp" in the building at 124 Edward St. were severely damaged as part of its "economic sabotage campaign against the scum who torture animals."

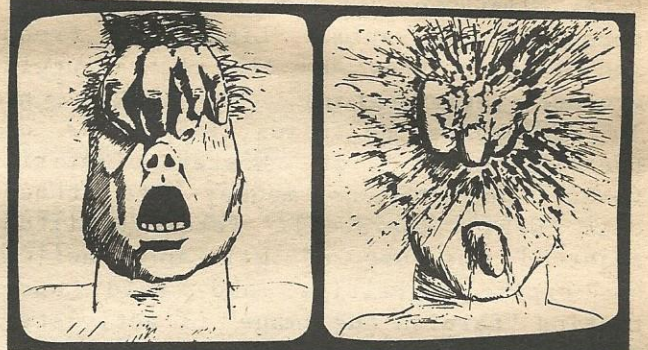
The statement said the group is protesting against the use of animals in experiments conducted by the Faculty of Dentistry.

Metro Toronto Police Staff-Sergeant Graham Everdell of 52 Division said the damage, estimated at \$1,000, was limited to the fourth and fifth floors of the building and was mostly graffiti spray-painted on elevator doors.

The dean of the faculty, Dr. Richard TenCate, said the damage could run from \$4,000 to \$10,000, depending on how difficult it will be to get the paint off doors and walls.

"They were trying to get into the animal faculty we have up here, but they didn't make it," Dr. TenCate said. "So, instead, they damaged some other labs."

### CRUSH THE HEADS OF



### VIVISECTIONISTS

#### GEORGE BERNARD SHAW'S CLASSIC DEFINITION OF THE VIVISECTOR

"These poor little dullards," said Shaw, "with their retinue of two-penny Torquemadas,\* wallowing in the infamies of the vivisector's laboratory and solemnly offering us as epoch-making discoveries their demonstrations that dogs get weaker and die if you give them no food; that intense pain will make mice sweat; that if you cut off a dog's leg, the three-legged dog will have a four-legged puppy. I ask myself what spell has fallen upon intelligent and humane men (and women, Ed.) that they allow themselves to be imposed upon by this rabble of dolts, blackguards, imposters, quacks, liars and worst of all credulous fools."

\* Spanish Grand Inquisitors  
(Reprinted from the American Anti-Vivisection Society Magazine, February 1986)

The Toronto Sun, Tuesday February 18, 1986

## RESEARCH 'WILL CONTINUE' Lab raiders fail

By B.J. DEL CONTE  
Staff Writer

A U of T assistant dean said yesterday he will not halt his research because of threats and a destructive weekend raid on his lab by animal-rights activists.

The raiders caused an estimated \$6,000 damage by splattering red paint and smashing at least one piece of test equipment at the lab at 124 Edward St.

Among the spray-painted slogans were 'A.L.F.' — signifying the handiwork of the Animal Liberation Front — 'scum,' 'torture motel' and a warning to Dr. Barry Sessle that the raiders would be back.

Sessle, assistant dean of research at the faculty of dentistry, is using about a dozen monkeys in research on facial pain and jaw movements.

Sessle said the warning made him

"uneasy," but would not stop his research.

Faculty dean Richard TenCate said Sessle's animals are anesthetized during research and feel no pain. "I wouldn't tolerate them being in the building if they did," he said.

Vicki Miller, spokeswoman for animal rights group Ark II, disputed TenCate's claims but said her group wasn't involved in the weekend raid.

"It seems from the published material that most of the stuff coming out of (Sessle's lab) involves pain experiments," Miller said.

Research labs aren't subject to public scrutiny and raids are the only way to find out what's happening in them, she said.

THE TORONTO STAR,

### U of T gets orders to clean animal labs

The University of Toronto has been ordered to clean up some of its animal research facilities or close them by September. The order comes from the Canadian Council on Animal Care, which can freeze research grants if the order isn't met.

Professor David Mock, spokesman for the cash-strapped university, blamed antiquated buildings and the high cost of security for the problem and said it could cost up to \$1 million to rectify.



# The Enemy Within?

(The following article was published in the British ALF-SG Magazine - #3.

Until recently, the ALF had only very limited facilities to answer irrational condemnations thrown at it. When the group makes a statement to defend itself - it is accused of 'attack' and yet whenever anyone else attacks the ALF, no objections are heard. The ALF will defend its position and hopes that SG members will assist it to do so. It is ironic that the ALF, deemed by many to be the 'hard man/woman' of the animal rights movement does in fact, by its actions, shows more compassion, more sensitivity and more respect for life than many others. Again, something to think about.

ALF actions result in the IMMEDIATE PREVENTION OF ANIMAL ABUSE and statements condemning the ALF do not harm the ALF - but they do harm the animals! The ALF clearly strives for ANIMAL LIBERATION, not division within the movement, and those who participate in words or actions which cause division are clearly no friends of the animals.

The ALF works for the liberation of animals - defending its actions uses up valuable time. While time is wasted, animals are dying!!!

While Animal Rights/Welfare Organizations condemn, criticize and argue against the ALF and among themselves, the ALF will be busy continuing with its work.

"As long as animal torture is lawful in this country, we must act outside the law." (E.C.)

Over a three-day period, ALF activists attacked Joseph Fox Fur Shop in Sheffield England. Expensive plate-glass windows were smashed, other windows were damaged by glass-cutters and anti-(animal) cruelty slogans were painted on the premises. The total damage was \$5,000.

Later that month, Jean Pink of 'Animal Aid' stated: "This action does more harm than good..."

What or who does this damage exactly 'harm'? Not the animals for sure!

The ALF expects inane statements from animal abusers but NOT from people who claim to be members of the Animal Rights Campaign. Animal Aid, with other organizations, educates the public, and without any reservation,

the ALF supports this and considers this a WHOLLY NECESSARY part of the campaign. It is distressing to note the condemnation of the ALF action - and this is not the first one - that Jean Pink has made. No harm to life occurred - simply damage to animal abuse property which will result in animals being saved. That is, the money spent on repairs and extra security measures will come from money allocated for investment in animal cruelty. How can such an action be wrong??

It is perhaps worth thinking about which animal rights organization has saved the most animals? Which animal rights organization spends all the money it receives on animal liberation? And which animal rights organization has done the most to publicize the horrors of animal abuse and bring it to the Press and Television? It is indeed worth thinking about these questions the next time you send money off to an animal rights organization. It is pathetic indeed that the group that has saved the most animals and taken the greatest risks survives, literally, on a 'shoestring'.

## Lifeforce's Peter Hamilton Smears ALF

In a recent article in the London (Ontario) Free Press (May 20, 1986), Peter Hamilton of the group Lifeforce denounced the Animal Liberation Front and tactics they use in the struggle against vivisection and research. In reference to raids last year on the University of Western Ontario (where one rhesus monkey and three cats were liberated), Peter Hamilton rejected the use of militant tactics to expose cruelties and said such tactics "tarnish the image" of activists! One has to now wonder whose image Peter Hamilton and Lifeforce are more concerned with! In many cases, the only way to expose the 'image' of the vivisectioners is for the ALF to break into the labs and find out for themselves what's going on. Two such examples are the Head Injury Lab in Pennsylvania where 60 hours of the researchers videotapes were stolen in a raid, and the University of Western Ontario where photos and videotapes were taken by raiders previous to the liberation raid. Peter Hamilton/

Lifeforce now 'own' these latter photos and tapes, and make money from their distribution. The videotapes can't be shown unless Lifeforce has a part in their showing.

So Mr. Hypocrite Hamilton now denounces the ALF even though he makes money as a direct result of their actions. He further says that the ALF 'cause more damage to our campaigns than anything else', even though it is well-proved that without the clandestine raids the animal liberation movement would have never gained the awareness it now has among socially-conscious peoples.

We in the Support Group have, as one of our goals, the desire to unite all the forces in the animal liberation movement. Aside from our obvious support of the ALF and their tactics, we recognize that attacks against the animal exploitation industries must come from all levels - everything from liberations to saying 'Pretty

Please?' to useless government officials. We will not tolerate people like Hamilton and their animal welfare businesses making money and publicity at the expense of radical groups.

Hypocrites and profiteers like Peter Hamilton must reassess their position within the movement and decide whether they want to further animal liberation or help set us back to when it was safe for vivisectioners behind locked doors. The London Free Press article was certainly a good PR piece for them!

We urge all our readers and supporters of the ALF to withhold funds from Lifeforce, and to write them and tell them what you think of their ignorant, false and misleading comments. A copy of the article is available on request.

Write to them at P.O. Box 3117, Main Post Office, Vancouver, B.C., V6B 3X6, Canada.

Freebird

### WORLD VETERINARY WEEK: The Princess and Animal Protection

(Translated from a French veterinary journal)

At the last British Veterinary Congress in Exeter, Princess Anne declared that a balance must be found between the excessive use of animals in research and the 'extreme violence' (Wot? -

Ed.) of animal protection groups in England. According to the Princess, English animal protection groups are very active and laboratories are forced to become veritable fortresses to repel the regular attacks organized by 'perfectly trained commandos'. (Tee-hee! - Ed.)

More recently, near London, 'non-violent' protesters created a diversion by picketing in front of the entrance

to a laboratory while a small team went in to destroy equipment and release all the animals. The financial burden on the laboratories of such operations is very heavy. In effect, a study on the carcinogenicity of a drug could last two years; the release of the animals to the wild means the experiment must be redone from the beginning. This means that millions of francs are lost, not to mention the loss caused by the delay in obtaining results.



# Networking

One of the most gratifying things that has happened since the inception of the ALF-SG in Canada, is the rate at which our membership has grown! As well as having members from all over North America, we correspond with activists from Germany, Holland, France, New Zealand, Australia, Italy, and of course, Great Britain.

This makes us realise that **ANIMAL LIBERATION IS TRULY HAPPENING AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL.** **VIVISECTORS BEWARE!!!**

In future issues we hope to bring you news of actions in some or all of those countries. We have begun an exchange of newsletters, so that activists everywhere can see that they are not alone out there. Someone else is doing something too.

This brings me to an important issue - **NETWORKING!!**

It has become apparent from letters written to us by activists in the other provinces and throughout the United States, that there are many people who are fighting for this movement on their own. Many of you are practically next door to each other, yet say they wish there was someone else they could get together with. Obviously, for security reasons, the S.G. does not, under any circumstances, give out anyone's name or address to anyone else. However, if we are to grow and become more effective, then you all have to be put in touch with one another.

We would welcome any letters on how this could be done. One suggestion

we have is that anyone who is PRESENTLY ON THE MAILING LIST and who would like to become a contact for activists to come together, write to us and let us know. The next step would be to get yourselves a P.O. Box and, then send us the address, telling us at the same time, what code name you wish to be called. We could then publish that, for example, we now have a contact in Prince Edward Island. Anyone out there who wishes to contact other activists should write to the S.G. and we will forward the letter. The contact person will then be responsible for doing the rest.

Anyway, its a thought! But we do have to get you working together. There is strength in numbers, and the animals need ALL of us, not just SOME of us.

Phoenix

## DLN - The Animal Activist Information Network

The DLN Network is not just another organization. It's a network of activists from all over who help each other to be effective in animal welfare/ rights work. All types of actions and all levels of involvement can move us closer to our goals, as long as the common philosophy that respects the value of the individual animal life - regardless of it's 'usefulness' in human terms - is an underlying ideal in our efforts. The network exists to pass on knowledge of what worked and what didn't work for each of us, to exchange any sort of information that can help other activists who are doing similar things. The DLN Network wishes to link up with individuals, organizations or networks with common interests and goals for the purpose of exchanging practical information and ideas.

The network is NOT set up as a corporate organizational structure. There are no leaders and no hierarchy. The purpose is to help to spark the real sharing of ideas and resources. The purpose is to encourage people to trust their own creativity and trust their own set of priorities, while keeping the larger ideal of animal and human rights as the vision we're all working towards. The purpose of the network is to free people from the feeling or the uncertainty that their own action and animal rights involvement must first, in some way, be 'authorized' by someone else, by some 'leader', by some 'big group' and so on.

Everyone has the choice of whether they want to act individually, or work with an organized group - or both. The network can help people to know that they, themselves, are in control of their own actions and a person always has the choice to work with a group, rather than for a group. The network is a support for individuals, and not an entity that individuals are asked to support... The network is a way to empower individuals - a way to free people to trust in their own ideas and to take responsibility to try out their own actions and outreach in what ways they feel most comfortable. With the literature and educational tools, with the confidence that comes from self-education and by taking responsibility to act on our own beliefs more and more things can start to happen directly for animals.

The DLN Network does not have 'memberships' and the only time that money's exchanged is when you are helping to cover xeroxing and postage costs of requested materials. DLN has no paid staff and does not produce expensive promotional literature such as brochures or flyers. DLN is here to help you with your campaigns and to let you help others with theirs.

Since we're great believers in the 'snowball effect', we anticipate that many people will have their own network of contacts as well. People can photocopy information and send to their own contacts - thus reducing costs and reducing the need for people to

send money to any central location or mailbox on any sort of regular or required basis.

A main post office box has been established for practical reasons - and as a central clearinghouse for information exchange. The only publicized address within the network is:

**DLN NETWORK**  
3421 M. STREET N.W.  
SUITE 1329  
WASHINGTON, DC 20007

Practical how-to information sheets and kits are needed for virtually every aspect of animal rights work. If you can develop an information sheet or kit or if you just have a useful suggestion or idea - send it to DLN.

DLN will assist in circulating photos, films and videos, slides, records, books, anything where the primary focus is education and not the promotion of an organization. If you have clippings of actions, campaigns, demos, etc., please send them to DLN.

N.B. An Animal Liberation Front (ALF) Ideas/Information/How-to Booklet has been prepared and is available through the network by writing to the DLN mailbox. If you can include a small amount of cash - \$2 or \$3 or so - to cover the costs of xeroxing and postage, it would be most appreciated. All orders will be confidential and we encourage you when ordering direct action materials to use an alias.

## Attention - Polio Victims

R. Yves is attempting to form a group of polio victims who are against animal-based polio research.

There is already such a group in the United States and the Quebec group is forming quickly. These groups could become a powerful force against the vivisection community. You can reach the groups at the following addresses:

### Quebec:

R.Yves, Breton C.P., 95 Stn. Place D'Armes, Montreal, Quebec H2Y 3E9.

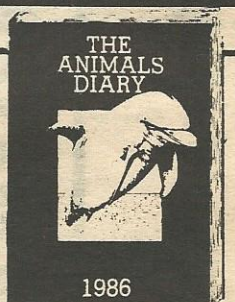
### United States:

Gazette International Institute, c/o Polio Network News, 4502 Maryland Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 631103, U.S.A.

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